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Mr. Wally Bishop
Contra Costa Water District
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Dear Mr. Bishop:

As part of CALFED's effort to develop an integrated program that benefits both the environment and the water supply community, we are considering the feasibility of an expanded Los Vaqueros reservoir. We understand that the Contra Costa Water Board has developed a set of principles regarding any future modification or expansion of Los Vaqueros. These principles will obviously play a major role in our evaluation of Los Vaqueros as an option for long-term surface storage under the CALFED plan.

I would appreciate receiving a copy of the principles for Los Vaqueros. I would also appreciate your continued input regarding local concerns and needs as CALFED evaluates this long-term storage option. If our analysis indicates an expanded Los Vaqueros reservoir is a feasible option, we will include it in the next stage of CALFED's long-term surface storage program and work with you to ensure we address the Contra Costa principles.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

CALFED Agencies

California The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service